Famille PIERRE GAILLARD

VITICULTEURS À MALIEVAL ET AUTRES PENTES

PIERRE GAILLARD

Fleur d'Automne A.O.C CONDRIEU



GENEROUS AND FRESH



VIOGNIER VIOGNIER



GRANITE





TERROIR

Communes

Soil

Surface area

Orientation Topography

Density

Chavanay, Malleval

Granitic sand

0.5 ha

South, southeast

Hillside

10,000 plants/ha

With certain vintages, in some parcels in Condrieu, we let the grapes continue to ripen and develop Botrytis cinerea ("the noble rot"), caused by morning fog. In doing this, we continue the tradition of Condrieu, when the grapes were made into sweet wine. The terroir is favourable to late harvests, and the southern/south-eastern exposure of the parcels, on well draining hillsides, along with the morning fog, the sun and the dry winds, are useful factors for the development of this fungus. The successive sorting sessions at the vine enable us to only harvest the grapes that have best developed the noble rot, so we can achieve a perfect balance of sweetness and acidity.

VINIFICATION & AGEING

Vinification Alcoholic fermentation in

barrels

Ageing 9 months in barrels

Res. sugar 200 g/L

The grapes are harvested one by one with a very high sugar concentration (potential minimum ABV of 25%) to balance out the aromatic, sweet and acidic properties. The fermentation is natural and stops by itself.

VITICULTURE

Grape variety Age of vines Pruning Yield

Harvests

Viognier

Over 20 years old Guyot trained on stakes Depending on the year

Harvested by hand in 4 sessions; sorting of

grapes with Botrytis

Viticulture on the estate is treated with the utmost importance. Each operation is carried out after first observing the needs of the parcel and in accordance with the characteristics of the vintage. Every parcel is therefore cared for precisely as required. The majority of the work is done by hand, although machines may sometimes be used to reduce the need for manpower.

The goal of every operation is to obtain healthy and ripe grapes that fully represent their terroir. Therefore, we pay close attention to the yield, foliage and aeration of the bunches, etc.

TASTING

This wine offers a subtle combination of sweet Viognier aromas (dried apricot) and notes of Botrytis (quince, medlar). The palate is highly balanced and wonderfully unctuous, with a beautiful delayed tension and a high concentration of sugar. Without a doubt a dessert wine, to accompany tarts and fruit salads, or to enjoy as dessert all by itself.

ONE FAMILY, FOUR ESTATES

